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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Brian R. Murphy et al.

Application No.: 09/458,813

Filed: December 10, 1999

For: USE OF RECOMBINANT LIVE-ATTENUATED PARAINFLUENZA VIRUS (PIV) AS A VECTOR TO PROTECT AGAINST DISEASE CAUSED BY PIV AND RESPIRATORY SYNCYTIAL VIRUS (RSV)

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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 21, 22, 39, 48 and 50, as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) An isolated infectious chimeric parainfluenza virus (PIV) comprising a major nucleocapsid (N) protein, a nucleocapsid phosphoprotein (P), a large polymerase protein (L), and a partial or complete human parainfluenza virus 3 JS (HPIV3 JS) vector genome or antigenome [that incorporates at least one and up to a full complement of attenuating mutations present within HPIV3 JS *cp*45 selected from mutations specifying an amino acid substitution in the L protein at a position corresponding to Tyr<sub>942</sub>, Leu<sub>992</sub>, or Thr<sub>1558</sub> of JS *cp*45; in the N protein at a position corresponding to residues Val<sub>96</sub> or Ser<sub>389</sub> of JS *cp*45, in the C protein at a position corresponding to Ile<sub>96</sub> of JS *cp*45, a nucleotide substitution in a 3'

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